

PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman – Kathy Doyle
Vice Chairman – Phil Welch

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held remotely via Zoom at 5pm on Tuesday 24th November 2020

Present: Councillors Kathy Doyle (Chair), Phil Welch, Jayne Rudd, Susan Mills, Vicki Irlam, David Clarke, Graham Hunter, John Hehir and the Parish Clerk

Members of Public: None

20.78 Receive apologies for absence

None

20.79 Questions or comments from the public

None

20.80 Receive declarations of interest in any agenda items

No interests were declared

20.81 Approve the Minutes of the last meeting on 27th October

The Minutes were agreed as a correct record. To be signed by the Chair at the next 'physical' meeting.

20.82 Discuss matters arising from the Minutes, not already covered in the agenda

The issue to display a 24-hour emergency telephone number in the play area was raised and questioned whether necessary. Cllr Hunter to investigate further and check other play areas.

Action: Cllr Hunter

The Clerk confirmed a cost had been provided for removal of the Willow tree, in addition to the previous quote. The cost and work were agreed. The Clerk to ask Myles Dobell to proceed.

Action: Clerk

20.83 Gawsworth and Chelford Police

Cllr Clarke confirmed the Community Speed Watch has been given permission to resume shortly but Police Surgeries are still suspended.

The theft of a catalytic converter was reported in Congleton.

- **Speeding Tractors**

Following the report of speeding tractors through the village, PCSO Short asked for residents to report issues to the police email address or to the 101 telephone number. Cllr Hehir to provide the clerk with the information to be displayed on the website.

Action: Cllr Hehir and Clerk

20.84 Finance

- **Receipts and Payment Report and Bank Reconciliation**

The report was reviewed and approved. Cllr Welch to authorise online payments becoming due.

- **Grant Support**

It was noted that grant payments to the Church and Village Hall, which were agreed last year, had not yet been paid. The Clerk to issue grants of £500 to the Church and £1500 to the Village Hall.

Action: Clerk

- **Approve Budget and set Precept**

The proposed budget for the next financial year was reviewed with some minor adjustments being made following the discussions and work outlined below:

It was decided that the Parish Council would not issue a grant to the Village Hall. This is following a £10K Business Support Grant given to the Hall from Cheshire East along with another grant due.

A quote of £1818 for the fingerposts was received. Cllr Hehir offered to attempt a negotiation on the price.

Action: Cllr Hehir

It was agreed that Peter Hulse should be asked to resume the grass cutting on Cinder Lane and the crossroads.

Action: Clerk

A figure of £312 to be included for Knutsford Citizen's Advice, as agreed at the previous meeting.

It was considered that spikes outside a property, and close to the road, were dangerous and that it would be agreeable if they were replaced with white markers. Cllr Irlam to suggest this to the resident.

Action: Cllr Irlam

Repair of the Cheshire railings was discussed. Cllr Hunter offered to obtain three quotes.

Action: Cllr Hunter

Subject to these amendments, the budget and precept were agreed. The Clerk to circulate updated budget before submitting the precept request to CE Council.

Action: Clerk

20.85 Planning

- **Consider Planning Applications**

- i. **20/4819M:** Birch Tree Farm, Well Bank Lane – Replacement outbuilding

Comment: The Parish Council wishes to **object** to this application

- ii. **20/4943M:** Westholme, Green Lane – Proposed new side extension

Comment: The Parish Council wishes to **object** to this application

- iii. **20/4966M:** 11 Parkgate Avenue – Two storey side extension with attached single garage

Comment: The Parish Council has **no objection** but wishes to make a **comment** on this application

All responses will be submitted to, and available to view on, the CE Planning website.

- **Consider Planning Decisions**

One planning decision was reported:

20/3975M – Stocks Lane Nurseries – **Approved with conditions**

20.86 Housekeeping and Maintenance

- **Parish Field Report**

Ahead of the meeting, the Chair circulated the findings of the play area inspection report following an on-site visit with Cllr Clarke. It was reported the three large swings were too close together and the middle swing should be removed with the outer two being brought in slightly.

The Chair to query the findings on the ball joint and swing chains.

Action: Chair

- **Policy for Data Protection**

The policy, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, was approved. The Clerk is to be responsible for Data Protection.

- **ChALC AGM**

The Chair reported she had attended the ChALC AGM and that Goostrey Parish Council had put forward a motion asking for ChALC's support in dealing with CE Highways. A suggestion put forward was to have a Service Level Agreement with all parishes in which Highways must respond to queries within 15 days or write to explain, if not responded.

Cheshire East's consultation on major road modifications was discussed and it was suggested the measures in the Traffic Management Plan for the parish could be brought to their attention. Cllr Welch agreed to draft a response and the Chair offered to draft an email to residents and for the website. Members were also encouraged to respond individually.

Action: Chair and Cllr Welch

- **Christmas Tree**

Cllr Welch purchased and installed the Christmas tree in the village. There have been many positive comments from residents.

- **Personnel Meeting**

A Personnel meeting was held earlier in the month and the Committee's recommendations to the Parish Council are that the Clerk be commended for her excellent work and her salary be increased from April 2021 to Point 21 on the NALC Pay Scale.

20.87 Correspondence

There is currently a project running between North West Ambulance Service and the PCC to secure funding for more defibrillators in the community. The PCC asked for suggestions of where they might be needed. Members agreed if funding became available to the parish, a defibrillator should be situated at The Dog Inn subject to the owner's permission.

20.88 Items for the next agenda

Emergency Telephone Number for Play Area

Set 2021/22 Meeting Dates

Meeting concluded at 6.55 pm

The date of the next PC meeting is **Tuesday 12th January 2021**